DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. DOT-MARAD-2015 0056]

Request for Comments of a Previously Approved Information Collection: Requirements for Eligibility of U.S.-Flag Vessels of 100 Feet or Greater in Registered Length to Obtain a Fishery Endorsement

AGENCY: Maritime Administration (MARAD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on February 18, 2015 (80 FR 8755).

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael C. Pucci, (202) 366-5167, Division of Maritime Programs, Maritime Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Requirements for Eligibility of U.S.-Flag Vessels of 100 Feet or Greater in Registered Length to Obtain a Fishery Endorsement

OMB Control Number: 2133-0530

Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection

Abstract: In accordance with the American Fisheries Act of 1998, owners of vessels of 100 feet

or greater who wish to obtain a fishery endorsement to the vessel's documentation are required

to file with the Maritime Administration (MARAD) an Affidavit of United States Citizenship

and other supporting documentation.

Affected Public: Vessel owners, charterers, mortgagees, mortgage trustees and managers of

vessels of 100 feet or greater who seek a fishery endorsement for the vessel.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500

Estimated Number of Responses: 500

Annual Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2950

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for

reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the

Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the

proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will

have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed

information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be

collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents,

including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

AUTHORITY: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and

49 CFR 1.93.

Dated: May 11, 2015.

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Office of Chief Council.

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